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Applicant and his Attorney are aware of the following publications and information, listed on the attached PTO Form 1449, and in accordance with 37 CFR §1.97 hereby submit these publications for the Examiner's consideration. A copy of each cited publication is enclosed.

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This statement is not to be interpreted as a representation that the cited publications are material, that an exhaustive search has been conducted, or that no other relevant information exists. Nor shall the citation of any publication herein be construed *per se* as a representation that such publication is prior art. Moreover, Applicant understands that the Examiner will make an independent evaluation of the cited publications.

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.97(c)(2) and §1.17(p), please charge the appropriate fee for consideration of \$180.00 our Deposit Order Account No. 50-0369. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed for this purpose.

As discussed with the Examiner on August 31, 2004, Applicant provides corrected citations for several of the documents previously submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement of January 24, 2001. These corrected references are denoted on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 by an asterisk. Applicant thanks the Examiner for the telephone conversation.

In addition to those references having a corrected citation on the enclosed PTO-1449, the Examiner has also requested the following documents:

- Schachar, "Zonular Function: A New Hypothesis With Clinical Implications," Ann
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Copies of each of these references are included herewith for the Examiner's convenience.

As noted in the response to the Office Action, filed herewith, Applicant also includes copies of previously filed Information Disclosure Statements, as requested by the Examiner. Paper copies of the Information Disclosure Statements and accompanying PTO Form-1449's are enclosed, along with a CD-ROM containing copies of the references cited therein.

Respectfully submitted,

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